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IN OUR VALLEY

BROWNSVILLE and the entire Lower Rio Grande Valley secured a large amount of publicity from the opening of the airport and inauguration of the air mail service.

The records of the Western Union show that on Saturday and Sunday 15,635 words of "press" went out from the local office.

This is the equivalent of approximately 14 columns, exclusive of heads.

Many of the Texas newspapers used the telephone to secure their "stories" of the international event. The Associated Press, United Press, and International News, each serving thousands of daily newspapers, had special representatives here.

New York and Chicago papers called for special "stories" from 800 words up.

Several Texas newspapers sent special representatives to "cover" the airport opening, and feature syndicates wired for special pictures to go out by air mail.

THE NEWS REEL companies also were represented. Metro-Goldwyn, Paramount and others had their cameramen on the grounds.

One sound picture machine was among the group, and faithfully recorded the cheers as Lindbergh landed.

These news reels will be shown the length and breadth of the country, and will prove a wonderful advertisement for the international airport at Brownsville.

CONSIDERABLE credit is due the Western Union and its local manager, A. W. Reed, for the manner in which the press dispatches were handled.

Provisions had been made for the large volume of business. Several minutes before the arrival of Lindbergh the lines were cleared, and 30 seconds after Lindbergh's plane passed over Brownsville and before it had landed on the field the wires of the Western Union were carrying to the news agencies the "flash" of his arrival.

Within two minutes after the plane reached the ground the stream of "press" began to move.

The Associated Press wires out of Dallas were carrying a detail story before Lindbergh had been in the United States 15 minutes.

The finish of a 1,100 word "story" was in New York 21 minutes after Lindbergh reached the ground.

That is real service—service such as both newspapers and public appreciate.

AIR MAIL leaving Mexico City at 7:45 a. m. and arriving in Brownsville at 1:15 p. m., reaches Chicago at 5:40 the following morning, less than 22 hours after leaving the Mexican capital.

If addressed to New York, it reaches the postoffice in that city at 4:45 p. m., or exactly 33 hours after leaving Mexico City.

At Chicago connections are made both east and west, assuring rapid connections with all large commercial centers in the United States.

Such service is certain to generate a large amount of mail between the two countries, which means a corresponding increase in the volume of commerce flowing across the border.

THIS IS orange blossom time in the Lower Rio Grande Valley.

From Brownsville to Mission the citrus fruit groves are a mass of bloom, and the air in many sections is charged with the odor of the waxen blossoms.

Visitors to the Valley and even many of the old residents are impressed with the beauty of the groves, which appear at their best during the blossoming period.

Horticulturists predict weather conditions in April, will be the best of the season. The fruit is "setting" heavily, they report, which means there will be large quantities of fruit on the trees.

They attribute this to favorable weather conditions, and also to the fact that growers are learning to take better care of their groves.

SEVERAL moving pictures of Valley citrus groves have been made by the news reel cameramen here for the airport celebration.

A blossoming grove, a mass of bloom swaying in the Gulf breeze, form a picture of great beauty.

But when a bevy of those fair damsels of which the Valley can boast are added to the panorama it becomes a picture of surpassing beauty.

BANDITS GET AUTO LICENSE COLLECTIONS

MADISON, Wis., March 12.—(P)—Two men held up the messenger of the Wisconsin Automobile License division in front of the office in the capital annex today and took \$157,000, mostly in checks and money orders.

The amount of cash taken has not been determined. Robert L. Siebeck, assistant secretary of state, said the loss was covered by insurance.

CALL GRAND JURY

The Cameron county grand jury, which recessed two weeks ago, was called to convene Monday morning, March 18. A number of cases have developed since the jury recessed and it is expected to be in session several days.

GUN RUNNERS SHOOT TWO

Federal Advance To Meet Stiff Opposition

DESERT SLOWS CALLES MARCH ON TORREON

Almazan Announces He Is To March On Saltillo With A Force Of 10,000

(By The Associated Press.)
Stiff opposition to the enveloping federal advance appeared likely today as rebel troops concentrated heavily at Torreon to meet the northern drive of General Calles, federal generalissimo.

General Almazan, federal commander at Monterrey announced he was planning to advance on Saltillo with an army of 10,000 men in an effort to drive back the insurgents on the Torreon base.

Government circles generally expressed belief that the rebel movement would disintegrate rapidly as the federal forces approached, but the revolutionary leaders gave every indication of putting up strong resistance.

General Calles was reported to have reached Camacho with the advance guard of his powerful army, but between this point and Torreon was an almost waterless desert.

The rebels reported destruction of railway bridges between Camacho and Torreon which would hold the federal advance for several days giving the insurgents an opportunity to gather strong reinforcements for General Escobar, rebel commander-in-chief.

In Saltillo, the insurgents were continuing a cautious advance down the Southern Pacific railway toward Mazatlan where 2,000 federal troops were strongly entrenched.

This advance was being conducted by General Turbe with 5,000 men converging upon Mazatlan from various points.

The government today announced confiscation of property of (Continued on page five)

U. S. Troops Sent To Guard Border In Mexico Revolt

WASHINGTON, March 12.—(P)—Movement of a small body of troops to the Mexican border for the protection of Naco, Arizona, and to guard the water supply of Bisbee, about 8 miles from the international line, was reported to the war department today by Major General Lassiter, commander of the Eighth army corps area at San Antonio.

PLANES UNDER EMBARGO HERE

Airmail To Continue But Fish Planes, Others Not To Cross Line

Official confirmation of dispatches received here last week that Sec. Kellogg had announced the replacement of the embargo on all airplanes entering Mexico came late Monday when William Neale, deputy collector of customs, announced receipt of a telegram from Washington which ordered officials here not to permit any military, commercial, or privately owned planes to cross the border, unless special permission has been granted from Washington.

Postmaster G. W. Dennett Tuesday had no word affecting mail planes to Mexico City and declared they would continue to depart from the Brownsville airport as per schedule.

Don Stewart of the Tex-Mex Fisheries announced that his fish planes would make trips today by special permission, but that beginning tomorrow, there would be no flying across the border, unless officials could be convinced that the area around Soto La Marina where the company's planes land, is not in danger of being converted into a war zone.

The embargo, according to officials, has been replaced in order to prevent planes falling into the hands of rebel forces.

BOLTERS BILL VETO IS URGED

Lynch Davidson Tells Moody Measure Would Cement Hoover-Dems

DALLAS, Tex., March 12.—(P)—Lynch Davidson of Houston, in a telegram to Governor Moody urging veto of the bolters bill, said the measure, if not "killed" would crystallize Hoover democrats into a powerful republican political machine in Texas, "seemingly dry but actually wet."

"As ring leaders of the harmony democrats we are not without responsibility for republican success in Texas," the message said. "While we stuck to our democratic guns and voted the ticket straight, a tide against Smith was started that could not be turned when his nomination was forced upon us."

"I have no sympathy with people who do not keep their political or party pledges, but the preservation and solidarity of the party is of primary importance."

"The bolters bill would read a quarter of a million people out of the democratic party in Texas who have done no more than has been done numerous times before by many of the self-same people who now complain. It might destroy our party in Texas and only serve to gratify vengeance on supposed bolter leaders, who in truth were not leaders at all, but crafty enough to get in front of the parade."

SELECTING GOODSPEED JURY

HENRIETTA, Tex., March 12.—(P)—Ten jurors were selected by noon at the trial of Carl Goodspeed, charged with killing A. E. Gooch, city marshal of Nocona, while Gooch was searching Goodspeed's house Jan. 13. The case was transferred to Henrietta on a change of venue.

HOLDING CONCERN FORMED

NEW YORK, March 12.—(P)—The Southwest Utilities corporation has been organized as a subsidiary of the Empire Public Service corporation to include corporations serving municipalities in Texas and Louisiana. They are Big Spring Public Service, Texas Electric, Texas Sewer, Southwest Ice and Minden Gas companies.

SCHOOL NURSE RESIGNS

Miss Rosita Putegnat has resigned her position as school nurse in Brownsville and will leave in the near future for Boston to take special work. Miss Rachael Pierce, who recently graduated from the John Sealey school for nurses at Galveston, has been appointed to the position, the appointment to take effect March 15.

PAPER SAYS O'NEILL DIVORCE PART OF PACT

NEW YORK, March 12.—(P)—The New York American says today that Mrs. Eugene O'Neill in going to Reno to obtain a divorce from the playwright is fulfilling a proviso in their marriage ceremony whereby each agreed to give the other freedom should love for another arise.

This proviso to the marriage ceremony, says the newspaper, was worded "until love do us part."

O'Neill, says the American, reminded his wife of their agreement in a letter from London in which he said:

"I love someone else deeply. There is no possible doubt about this. I have mentioned the present object of O'Neill's affections."

HOOVER TO ALLOW NO LEASES OF OIL LAND

WASHINGTON, March 12.—(P)—President Hoover said today there would be complete conservation of government oil lands during his administration.

The president, answering inquiries by newspaper men, said there would be no leases or disposal of oil lands during his administration, no matter by what department the lands were controlled, except such dispositions as were made mandatory by congress.

SHIP QUARANTINED

SEATTLE, March 12.—(P)—As a precautionary measure to prevent another outbreak of spinal meningitis here, 336 third-class passengers and crew members of the liner President Madison were in quarantine today at Diamond Head, near Port Townsend, Wash.

COOLIDGE FREES CONVICT

WASHINGTON, March 12.—(P)—The department of justice made known today that President Coolidge had commuted on March 2, effective that date, the sentence of Albert C. Goodwin, of Albany, N. Y., convicted at Indianapolis last November of conspiracy to counterfeit government stamps.

3 HUNTED AS GUNMEN IN CHICAGO GANG KILLING



Convinced they have found the solution of the St. Valentines day gang massacre mystery, Chicago police have instituted a search for three men, who they declare, were participants in the machine gun killing of seven members of the Moran gang in a Clark street garage. The men sought are, left to right, Frederick A. Burke, James Ray, both said to be St. Louis gangsters imported for the shootin', and Joseph Leardo, Chicago, whose brother was slain by gangsters in January.

SCHOOL BOND VOTE CALLED

Election To Be Held April 6, to Pass on Proposed \$75,000 Issue

A call for an election to authorize issuance of bonds in the amount of \$75,000 for construction of a new ward school and remodeling the old grammar school was issued by the board of trustees of the Brownsville independent school district at a regular meeting Monday night.

The board also appointed Cleve H. Tandy a member to fill the unexpired term of S. C. Tucker, who died last year.

The bond election will be held April 6, at the same time as the regular school trustee election, the old grammar school being designated as the polling place. W. K. Mendenhall was appointed presiding judge for the bond election.

Members of the school board whose terms expire this year, and who, it is understood, will be candidates for re-election, are O. V. Lawrence, president; Herbert Davidson, James A. Graham and Ike A. Dudley. Holdover members are R. B. Cragger, Sherwood Bishop and Cleve H. Tandy.

In connection with the bond election, announcement was made that a site at Twenty-second and Harrison has been secured for the new ward building which will serve the eastern part of the city, part of Victoria Addition and the Tomates Bend section. The proposed site, for which a deal is expected to be closed soon as the bonds are voted, is 300 by 280 feet.

The board plans to remove the second story of the old grammar school, condemned last year, and completely remodel the first floor, providing ten class rooms. The old grammar school will be known as the Washington Park ward school and the new structure to be known as the East Brownsville ward school.

Score Card Change Voted At Meeting Of Fair Directors

(Special To The Herald)
HARLINGEN, March 12.—(P)—The Valley Mid-Winter Fair association at a meeting here Monday voted drastic changes in the score card for county unity exhibits. In the future prize money will be more generally distributed throughout the various communities, as a result of the changes agreed upon.

The prize for attractiveness will be eliminated and this money placed in worth of the products themselves.

It also was decided to sponsor a better showing of Valley agricultural products.

John T. Fiore, secretary of the organization, announced that four communities had signed for exhibits this fall. They are: La Feria, Stuart Place, Edouard and Primera.

REGINALD INDIAN CHIEF

KESHENA, Wis., March 12.—(P)—A new chief ruled the Menominee Indians today, and his name was Reginald. The succession of Reginald Oshkosh to the tribal leadership followed the death yesterday of Chief Ernest Oshkosh at the age of 56. Ernest, a grandson of the founder of the Wisconsin Y. convicted at Indianapolis last November of conspiracy to counterfeit government stamps.

Officers Fired Upon Them, 3 School Boys Say In Trial Here

Trial of Porter Eubanks, Harlingen constable, charged with assault to murder in connection with firing upon a car in which three schoolboys were riding near Los Indios on the night of February 22, got under way in criminal district court Tuesday morning.

Eubanks and two deputy constables, Strong Boynton and Jesse Riley, were indicted by the grand jury. The case against Riley was dismissed by the state, Riley going on the stand as a state witness.

A severance was granted and trial of Boynton is expected to follow completion of the Eubanks case.

Witnesses for the state included the three schoolboys, Robert Condit of San Benito, W. J. Morris and James Franklin of Los Indios, all 16 to 17 years of age; and S. M. Jester, special investigator for the district attorney.

Each of the three boys stated they had passed a roadster parked beside the road, that the roadster had followed them, and that men in the car opened fire on their car which ran into the ditch shortly after the firing started.

The car was struck several times. Exhibits introduced by the state included a 45-caliber pistol bullet which had passed through the back of the car in which the boys were riding and was found imbedded above the windshield; two buckshot, extracted from the spare tire casing; two flattened pistol bullets, picked up in the road; a 12-gauge shotgun shell, discharged; and two empty 45-caliber pistol shells. These were picked up near the scene of the shooting the same night, S. M. Jester testified.

Robert Condit testified he smelled liquor on the breath of the men who stopped the car, and that later he found a liquor bottle near the point where their car was parked. He stated he did not know which one of the men it was upon whom he smelled the liquor. The other boys did not smell liquor. "I was too scared," W. J. Morris said.

The testimony indicated that Eubanks was armed with a shotgun and Boynton with a pistol. Jester testified that the marks on the car in which the boys were driving indicated that the shotgun had been fired with the intention of striking the rear tires.

According to Condit's version of the affair the men standing beside the parked roadster turned away when their car approached, and he did not recognize any of them.

A few minutes later the roadster drew near and ordered them to stop. "We thought it was a hold-up," he said, and the boys sped up. Several shots were fired and the boys' car went into the ditch.

"I jumped out and ran across the track," Condit said. "I thought it was a holdup, and I had some money. I heard somebody cry 'Don't shoot him,' and some one came across after me. I reached (Continued on page five.)

CASTELLANOS IN MATAMOROS

Tamaulipas Governor Says All Is Quiet In Capital Of State

Francisco Castellanos, governor of Tamaulipas, arrived in Matamoros late Monday from Victoria with his mother, Sra. Filomena C. de Castellanos.

The governor, who drove through in his automobile, said that all was quiet in the capital and that he was merely on a tour of the cities of the state. He expects to remain in Matamoros several days, he said.

A report that state records were brought into Matamoros last night was denied.

Governor Castellanos, who is visiting at the home of friends in Matamoros, was besieged by callers throughout the day. He formerly was a member of the Matamoros bar and is very popular with the citizens of that city.

Gen. Gabriel Cervera, commander of the Matamoros garrison, declared conditions were about normal in that city and that there are no indications of unrest among the populace. Rumors of unrest in Tamaulipas are greatly exaggerated, Gen. Gabriel said.

HILLIN SIGNS WITH TAMPA COLLEGE STATION, Tex., Mar. 12.—"Rosie" Hillin, former Texas Aggie twirler, has signed to pitch for the Tampa (Southeastern league) team. Hillin, who is a big right-hand finger, closed his college career with the Aggies in the spring of 1927 and last year was one of the outstanding twirlers on the Abilene (Wets Texas league) nine.

'Pauper' Dies From Lack of Food; Had Over \$7,000

CHICAGO, March 12.—(P)—Harry Kline, 61, had no money to pay his room rent. He had no money to clothe himself properly. He had little on which to eat. So he said.

When he died at the county hospital two days ago, they wrote opposite his name—"underrun."

A representative for the public administrator investigated. He found the house where Kline had lived. Its owner—a woman with a baby to support—said Kline had not paid rent for many weeks, pleading he had no money. In his room was found a trunk. At the bottom were savings ac-

count books in 35 Chicago banks. Total deposits were \$7,000. Kline had been afraid; afraid to keep money for fear it would be stolen; afraid to bank it for fear the bank would fail. But with \$7,000 he had to do something, compromising by opening accounts in 35 banks. It was not likely all would fail.

The interest on these accounts was about 67 cents a day. On that he lived.

The address in Philadelphia of Kline's wife was found. He had left her 15 years ago. She is coming here to get the \$7,000 that her husband was afraid he would lose.

SMUGGLERS IN EL PASO HELD BY PATROLMEN

Battle Prevents Arms Going Into Mexico After Wounding of U. S. Officials

EL PASO, Tex., March 12.—(P)—An attempt to smuggle arms and ammunition across the international border was frustrated late last night after a gun battle in which two American patrolmen were wounded.

August Steinburn and Francis A. Scott, members of the border patrol, were shot from ambush near Cordova Island as they started to investigate the presence of two loaders on the American side of the boundary.

Approaching to within 40 yards of the two, the officers shouted and the answer was a fusillade of bullets from another direction, where a group lay concealed in a thicket. Both men fell wounded.

Reinforcements arrived under command of H. C. Horsley, head of the border patrol. A miniature battle followed in which many shots were fired. Thereafter, a half hundred men were seen to run to safety on the Mexican side of the Rio Grande, Horsley reported.

WAR, NAVY ASSISTANTS APPOINTED BY HOOVER

WASHINGTON, March 12.—(P)—Two new assistant secretaries of war and navy were appointed today by President Hoover. They were Ernest V. Jahneke of New Orleans and Patrick Hurley of Tulsa, Okla., assistant secretary of war.

Mr. Hurley was one of the chief Hoover supporters in Oklahoma during the last campaign. He will be in charge of war department industrial mobilization plans, succeeding Charles B. Robbins, who had expressed a desire to return to private life.

Mr. Jahneke is a member of a family long prominent in the shipping and shunting world. He will take over the duties of Theodore Douglas Robinson as assistant secretary of the navy.

POLICE SAY VICTIM STABBED, SET AFIRE

SCRANTON, Pa., March 12.—(P)—The body of a man, who had been beaten and stabbed and his clothing saturated with kerosene oil and set afire, according to the police, was found today by firemen fighting flames in the home of Frank Crido at Carbondale, eighteen miles north of this city.

Finding a heavy hammer and knife beside the charred body, convinced authorities a killing had taken place and the Crido home was set afire to hide the crime. Mr. and Mrs. Crido were visiting in Archibald borough at the time of the fire.

RECAPTURE CONVICTS

BAYTON ROUGE, La., March 12.—(P)—Louisiana penitentiary officials stated today they had been informed of the recapture of two escaped convicts, Sam Thomas Sherman of Caddo parish, and Batchelor Haynes, negro, of Rapides parish.

THE WEATHER

For Brownsville and the Valley: Cloudy to partly cloudy and slightly cooler tonight and Wednesday. Moderate to fresh southerly winds on the west coast, shifting to northwesterly late today or tonight.

For East Texas: Partly cloudy tonight; rain in extreme east portion; somewhat colder except in extreme east portion; Wednesday generally fair and somewhat colder. Moderate to fresh south to north-west winds on the coast.

RIVER FORECAST

There will be no material change in the river during the next few days.

Flood Present 24-Hr. 24-Hr. Stage State Chng. Rain

Eagle Pass . . . 15 2.7 0.0 .00

Laredo . . . 27 -0.4 0.0 .00

Rio Grande . . 21 4.3 -0.1 .00

Mission . . . 23 3.7 .00 .00

San Benito . . 23 7.6 -0.2 .00

Brownsville . . 18 1.6 -0.9 .00

TIDE TABLE

High and low tide at Point Isabel tomorrow, under normal meteorological conditions:

High 5:05 a. m.; 5:05 p. m.

Low 11:09 a. m.; 11:12 p. m.

MISCELLANEOUS DATA

Sunset today 6:37

Sunrise tomorrow 6:41